NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD



PROPOSED EAST LOS ANGELES HIGH SCHOOL #2, AREA D

LOS ANGELES COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

Public Comment Period: July 30 to August 28, 2007

WHAT IS BEING PROPOSED?

The California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) invites public comment on the draft Removal Action Workplan (RAW) for the Los Angeles Unified School District's (LAUSD) proposed East Los Angeles High School #2, Area D site. This workplan addresses the removal and off-site disposal of approximately 729 cubic yards (1,093 tons) of soil from Area D. Area D is 1.22 acres in size and is bordered by Hammel Street to the north, Eastern Avenue to the east, Dozier Street to the south, and to the west by the former Los Angeles Conservation Corps (LACC) property at 4240 Hammel Street. During the site investigations, lead, total petroleum hydrocarbons, chlordane and dieldrin were detected in shallow soils in concentrations exceeding DTSC health risk levels for school sites. Therefore, LAUSD proposes to remove the contaminated soils and transport them to permitted off-site disposal facilities. DTSC has prepared a draft Notice of Exemption (NOE) for this project pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). This project is considered exempt since it will not have a significant negative impact on the human health and the environment because of the relatively short duration and the controlled manner in which the contaminated soils will be excavated, loaded onto trucks and taken off-site for disposal/treatment.

HOW DO I PARTICIPATE?

This notice is to provide the interested community the opportunity to learn more about the project and provide comments to DTSC about the proposed mitigation during a thirty (30) day public comment period that starts on July 30 and ends on August 28, 2007. Your participation is encouraged. Comments concerning the draft RAW may be submitted in writing to Aldo Chaney, Project Manager, at the DTSC address listed below, and must be postmarked by **August 28, 2007**.

WHERE DO I GET MORE INFORMATION?

A copy of the draft RAW and other project documents are available at the Anthony Quinn Public Library, 3965 E. Cesar E. Chavez Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90063; Hammel Street Elementary School, 438 N. Brannick Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90063; East Los Angeles Library, 4837 E. 3rd Street, Los Angeles, CA 90022 and at www.laschools.org. Also, all site documents and the full Administrative Record pertaining to this project are available for review during office hours at the DTSC Regional Records Office, 1011 N. Grandview Avenue, Glendale, CA 91201. Contact: Jone Barrio at (818) 551-2886.

CONTACT:

If you have any questions or wish to discuss the project, please contact Jesus Cruz, DTSC Public Participation Specialist, at 1-866-495-5651 or email: jcruz@dtsc.ca.gov; or Aldo Chaney, DTSC Project Manager, at (818) 551-2972 or email: achaney@dtsc.ca.gov.